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COMMERCIAL.

COTTON AND YARN.

Messrs James F. Hutton & Co., Ltd.,
Manchester, in their weekly market report
dated Nov. 12 say: "It is now over three
months since we issued our last report on
July 30th, on which day the Liverpool
Cotton Market closed for the usual August
Holiday but owing to the outbreak of war
did not reopen. Except for nominal spot
quotations the Cotton Exchange remained
closed until last Friday, the 19th inst., when
it was reopened for restricted trading. My
June futures being the only position quoted
and a minimum price of 4.25 was fixed.
With this reopening of the Liverpool Market
we have decided to resume our report,
especially as there is in many quarters some
new business doing, although generally only
in small lots; yet a few bulk orders have
been done for China in staples.

The New York Cotton Market still re-
mains closed but it is expected to reopen
next week, as also the Liverpool Market
may be opened for unrestricted trading
very soon. There has been a good
demand from Spinners for cotton at Liver-
pool and a further step in the direction of
fully opening the market has been taken
to day in allowing sales of futures to be
made on new account with fixed minimum
prices.

A general idea of cotton values in
Liverpool during the past 3 months can be
obtained from the way Mid American prices
have been manipulated by the Liverpool
Cotton Exchange. The market closed on
July 30th with Mid American at 5.80, on
August 17th it was nominally dropped to 5.50,
August 18th to 5.20, September 8th to
5.00, September 17th to 5.80, September
24th to 5.50, September 30th 5.30, Octo-
ber 15th 5.05, October 27th 4.85, and on
partial reopening on November 19th, 4.84,
since when it has advanced to-day to 4.95.
Shipments to India during October have
shown a fair decline on previous months,
except to Calcutta which has taken larger
quantities than ever, but this month and
next month must show an even greater
falling off and it is clear that the
improvement in the importing centres in
India the outlook would be much brighter.

Windmill fighting has been a peculiar
feature of the struggle in the cotton. On
both sides these peaceful objects of the
countrywide have been used as signalling
towers and range-finding stations, until a
rowing shell has made matchwork of them,
set them ablaze, and sent them tumbling
about the ears of their tenants like card
houses in a sudden gust. Church towers
and mills have suffered alike in the
tornado.

A correspondent writing from London
at the end of October, says "I spent an
hour this afternoon in calling upon several
publishing houses and learned, somewhat
to my surprise, that the demand for books,
even for works of fiction, is as great now
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Calza Bidoletti has been contributing as
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Italia. Signor Bidoletti is a native of
Rome, twenty-four years of age, and
known as an accomplished journalist, but
it was his recent interview with Mr.
Churchill that introduced him to the
English public.

We have reached Duffel. It
is a small village wedged in between two
forests: a lamb in the midst of wolves.
Not a soul remains. This cadaverous
and freezing quietude impresses one
more than cannon-balls. All these houses
hastily abandoned before the German
armies are as moving as seeing a com-
mander man mounting the gallows.
There is a soul about this village that
strikes one more in its deserted intimacy
before imminent destruction: it is the
fine embryo of the human furnace that
are dying out before the incineration of
war.

A pure white rose is still on the
window-sill—a coquettish window it is
too, with its green shutters and its en-
laced blinds. I stopped the car to
gather that rose. I thought it terrible
that the whole should destroy it. . . .
I cannot explain why. . . . perhaps
because it was so snowy white and be-
cause I thought that a woman's eyes
must have rested upon it before she
left. . . .

The village square is reached. Four
soldiers are massing arms under the
church tower before leaving. Sprouting
grass is already making its appearance
between the cobblestones as if the desert-
ion of the inhabitants had given new
vigour to vegetation. . . . The
church door is open, and through it is
a glimpse of a blood-red sun, enveloped
in the clouds of artillery fire, gives the
navy a tragic, purple hue. The back-
ground and the corners of the church are
cast in dreary black shadows that are
depressing and fearful. On the principal
altar four candles are burning and in the
centre of the church a tier lies on a
litter covered with black and yellow
draperies. The light from the candles
is dimmed in the twilight, and every-
thing in the church seems to have lost
form and shape, to have merged into
one immense imperceptible flame. The
fury of the guns resounds and the whole
structure of the temple is shaken to its
very foundations, as if some tragic voice
was uttering its final warning.

To see that corpse abandoned in the
deserted church, without flowers, with-
out a prayer and without a tear, is more
heart-rending than an unhappy existence.
With the roar of the guns in my ears,
the whole human fabric of sentiment is
crushed in me, and I would have loved
stayed alone with that dead corpse, for
that sacred temple will perhaps prove to
be his funeral pyre.

500 MANECS.

Soldiers are calling me. I notice an
undressed man approaching me, com-
pletely attired in white. He looks
weary and stammers out: "There are
500 lunatics round here. . . . quite
near. . . . They must be saved.
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werp in your car. . . . I form the
impression that this man is mad, and I
am seized with an uncontrollable fear.
But the man clutches me by the arm
and leads me towards a huge grey build-
ing behind the church. "Come and
see for yourself, sir." And behind the
bars I see twenty, fifty and then a hun-
dred faces howling, dimly and des-
perately. . . . A hundred faces of
lunatics glaring at me. Several were
sobbing and others gapping, seemingly
overcome by the smoke from the guns.
They were all there, with their pitiful
malady, within range of fire. Perhaps
some of them understand. A few are
like wild beasts trapped by fire, strug-
gling with the strong iron bars, franti-
cally attempting to uproot them. The
rapid German advance had impeded their
removal. They were left in the asylum
under the charge of three or four nurses
and two doctors.

I notice, across the iron barrier an
old man in the garden kneeling on the
grass, his emaciated and wrinkled hands
clasped in prayer and uplifted to heaven.
He is immobile as a statue, as if a
paralytic stroke had left him in that
position. He must be suffering from an
advanced form of religious mania.
I would have thought him dead but for
his lips, which regularly articulated in a
sobbing whisper the word:
"Jesus, Jesus, Jesus."
He had been there for two hours. I
was informed, and all appeals to move
him had failed.

THE BRITISH AT ANTWERP.

.....The British were the last to
return to Antwerp: calm and dignified,
deprived though of that joyous careles-
sness which a few hours ago I had wit-
nessed. They had fought like true
Britons: a day of battle had baptised
them to fire, and they had met death
face to face without flinching. Out of
two thousand men I had seen in the
afternoon one hundred had fallen in the
trenches, dead or wounded, into the
enemy's hands. They had retired firing
incessantly; many arrived at Vieux Dieu
without a cartridge left. They were not
discouraged, these fine fellows; they
were only oppressed with the thought
that their presence had not sufficed to
alter the conditions of things.

When they received the order to
evacuate the city several of them, espe-
cially the officers, bitterly resented it;
they persisted in declaring that no Ger-
man would have passed through while
one of them was alive. More than one
officer begged the commandant to allow
them to remain alone, to defend the
city to the last man.

BEING THE COMMANDANT.

I felt as if all human and
material things had ceased to exist. The
sky was replete with a fiery, reddish
colour: the roofs of the houses seemed
enveloped in the shadows cast by the
barrages. The earth seemed to quake
with the shock of violent explosions.
From time to time the cries of the dying
would drown the howl of the guns. They
were the cries of women and children
tombled in cellars. One would have
thought that underground convicts were
struggling desperately to issue forth from
their vaults which at any moment might
become their graves. Sparks, cinders
and huge tongues of fire surged furiously
from the crumbling edifices, spreading to
adjoining buildings and adding fresh fuel
to the now triumphant blaze.

I knocked against thousands of fugi-
tives whose faces I could not see, but I
felt the remorseless bite of their anguish.
In the Place de l'Yser a woman collapsed
quite close to me: her dishevelled hair,
her unclothed appearance and the wild
expression of her eyes bore traces of
approaching madness. When she caught
sight of me she started in pursuit,
yelling the while, "Tu es un Boche."
to us on Boche." She then burst into
a metallic laugh as piercing as a dagger.
She was mad.

The last stranger showed the haste
of their flight in their apparel. I saw
a lady in an ermine coat running on the
pavement with bare feet. . . . I saw a
woman with an amputated leg dragging
herself along on one knee and holding on
to a petrol pump can as a support for
her other side. She had lost her crutches
and was flailing staggering along in
that posture. Three hours it had
taken the unfortunate woman to reach
the harbour.

Close to the Doornik gate a shell pre-
cipitated into a house down to a cellar,
killing on the spot a woman huddled in
a corner with six children around her,
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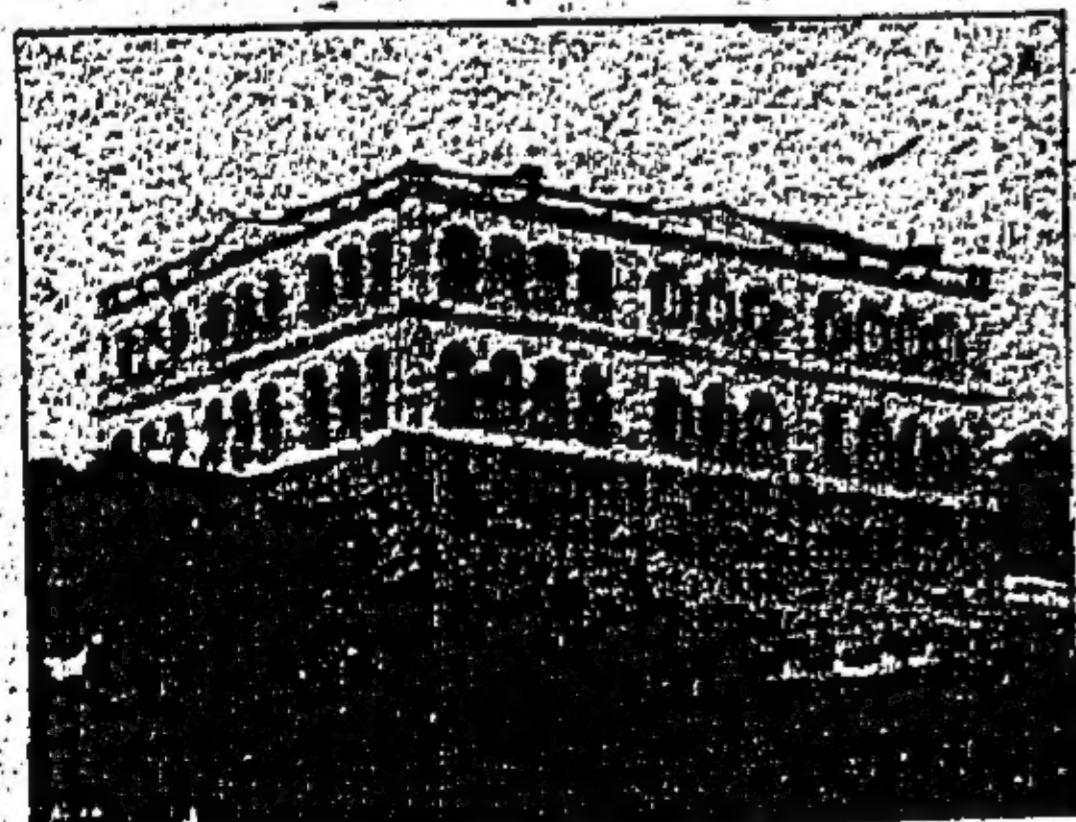
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Name.	Heaps on Course.	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.	H.M.S.A.
Dione	Scratch	4.11.37	4.11.37	
La Linda	2.31	4.15.52	4.13.21	
Bella	2.31	4.19.24	4.16.53	
Kathleen	6.44	4.19.22	4.12.38	
Kathleen	6.44	4.17.20	4.10.36	
Dorothea	7.34	4.25.52	4.18.18	
Ayesha	9.15	4.24.35	4.15.20	

Position.	Pts. for Race.	Pts. to Date.
1 Dione	8	19
2 Dione	5	22
3 Kathleen	6	10
4 La Linda	4	14
5 Ayesha	2	8
6 Rolls	2	8
7 Dorothea	1	8

HONGKONG FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

II DIVISION FIXTURES.

The following list of fixtures of the
II Division of the Hongkong Football
League are published:—
December 29th.—Confucians v. St. Joseph
College, Club ground, at 3 p.m.
December 30th.—Diocessans v. University,
Navy ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 2nd.—Lam Liang v. Queen's
College, Military ground, at 3 p.m.
January 3rd.—Lam Liang v. Victoria
College, Club ground, at 3 p.m.
January 6th.—Diocessans v. Victoria
College, Military ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 9th.—Diocessans v. Lam Liang,
Club ground, at 3 p.m.
January 13th.—Queen's College v. St.
Joseph College, Club ground, at 3 p.m.
January 13th.—Confucians v. University,
Navy ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 16th.—Confucians v. Lam Liang,
Navy ground, at 3 p.m.
January 16th.—Queen's College v. Victoria
College, Military ground, at 3 p.m.
January 23rd.—Lam Liang v. Queen's
College, Club ground, at 3 p.m.
January 23rd.—Confucians v. Lam Liang,
Military ground, at 3 p.m.
January 27th.—Queen's College v. Uni-
versity, Navy ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 30th.—Lam Liang v. Victoria
College, Military ground, at 3 p.m.

February 3rd.—St. Joseph College v. Vic-
toria College, Military ground, at 4.15
p.m.
February 6th.—Diocessans v. Queen's
College, Club ground, at 3 p.m.
February 10th.—St. Joseph College v.
University, Navy ground, at 4.15 p.m.
February 13th.—Victoria College v. Con-
fucians, Military ground, at 4.15 p.m.
February 17th.—Lam Liang v. St. Joseph
College, Club ground, at 3 p.m.
February 20th.—Diocessans v. St. Joseph
College, Club ground, at 3 p.m.
February 20th.—Lam Liang v. Lusitano,
Military ground, at 3 p.m.
February 24th.—University v. Victoria
College, Navy ground, at 4.15 p.m.
March 6th.—Confucians v. Diocessans,
Club ground, at 3 p.m.
March 10th.—Lam Liang v. University,
Navy ground, at 4.15 p.m.
March 13th.—Lam Liang v. St. Joseph
College, Military ground, at 3 p.m.
March 24th.—Lam Liang v. University, Navy
ground, at 4.15 p.m.
March 27th.—Diocessans v. Lusitano, Club
ground, at 3 p.m.

Further details regarding the First
Division are appended:—
November 21st.—Navy (0), Police (0).
December 2nd.—R.G.A. (1), Club (1).
December 12th.—Police (2), R.G.A. (3).
December 12th.—Club (0), Navy (1).
January 2nd.—Navy v. Club, Navy ground,
at 4.15 p.m.
January 2nd.—R.G.A. v. Police, Military
ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 9th.—Police v. Navy, Military
ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 9th.—Club v. R.G.A., Club
ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 16th.—R.G.A. v. Navy, Military
ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 23rd.—Club v. Police, Club
ground, at 4.15 p.m.
January 30th.—Police v. Club, Military
ground, at 4.15 p.m.
The games are at present arranged for,
but it is found impossible to start at the
earliest hour an effort will be made to
obtain another ground for the same day at
a later time.

Association Football.

NAVY v. R.G.A.

The Navy were decisively defeated on
Saturday at Happy Valley by the Royal
Garrison Artillery, the score being 3 goals
to nil. However, two of the goals were
scored by the Navy's own men which was
particularly unfortunate. The game itself
was fairly evenly divided but the Navy
were weak near the goal area, and slow to
snap up their chances.
The Police and the Hongkong Club met in
friendly combat on the Club Ground when
the former who were poorly represented by
virtue of the fact that another team was
doing duty with the 1st, were severely
beaten by 8-0. Of course the Club did
practically as they pleased and any attempt
to make the game interesting failed. Only
or twice the Hongkong forwards extended
their ability and gave an idea of the game,
otherwise the football shown was of very
inferior quality. Stalker and Pennell each
scored twice and Tod and Ridden netted
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